

VIETNAMESE AFFAIRS STAFF
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

DATE: 8 Sept. 1971

TO: The Director

FROM:

SUBJECT:

REMARKS:

General Cushman asked me to pull together the attached memorandum for General Hughes and sign it on his behalf. If you concur, we will send it over. Life would be much simpler if the White House staff could accept the fact that Hanoi has political fish to fry with the prisoners, has no cause to be interested in ransom and, hence, any private channel ransom scheme -- no matter how ingeniously devised or superficially plausible -- is prima facie a fraud.

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